

## § 2.75

(7) Conduct a program on the economic feasibility of new uses of agricultural products. Assist agricultural researchers by evaluating the economic and market potential of new agricultural products in the initial phase of development and contributing to prioritization of the Departmental research agenda.

(8) Administer a competitive biodiesel fuel education grants program (7 U.S.C. 8104).

(9) Implement a memorandum of understanding with the Secretary of Energy regarding cooperation in the application of hydrogen and fuel cell technology programs for rural communities and agricultural producers (7 U.S.C. 8107).

(b) [Reserved]

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## Subpart M—Delegations of Authority by the Chief Financial Officer

### § 2.75 Deputy Chief Financial Officer.

Pursuant to § 2.28, the following delegation of authority is made by the Chief Financial Officer to the Deputy Chief Financial Officer, to be exercised only during the absence or unavailability of the Chief Financial Officer: Perform all the duties and exercise all the powers which are now or which may hereafter be delegated to the Chief Financial Officer.

## Subpart N—Delegations of Authority by the Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs

### § 2.77 Deputy Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs.

Pursuant to § 2.22(a), subject to reservations in § 2.22(b), and subject to policy guidance and direction by the Under Secretary, the following delegation of authority is made by the Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs to the Deputy Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs, to be exercised only during the absence or unavailability of the Under Secretary: Perform all the

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duties and exercise all the powers which are now or which may hereafter be delegated to the Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs.

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### § 2.79 Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

(a) *Delegations.* Pursuant to § 2.22(a)(1), (a)(5) and (a)(8), subject to reservations in § 2.22(b)(1), the following delegations of authority are made by the Assistant Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs to the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service:

(1) Exercise the functions of the Secretary of Agriculture contained in the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1621–1627), including payments to State departments of agriculture in connection with cooperative marketing service projects under section 204(b) (7 U.S.C. 1623(b)), but excepting matters otherwise assigned.

(2) Conduct marketing efficiency research and development activities directly applicable to the conduct of the Wholesale Market Development Program, specifically:

(i) Studies of facilities and methods used in physical distribution of food and other farm products;

(ii) Studies designed to improve handling of all agricultural products as they are moved from farms to consumers; and

(iii) application of presently available scientific knowledge to the solution of practical problems encountered in the marketing of agricultural products (7 U.S.C. 1621–1627).

(3) Exercise the functions of the Secretary of Agriculture relating to the transportation activities contained in section 203(j) of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1622(j)) as amended, but excepting matters otherwise assigned.

(4) Administer transportation activities under section 201 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1291).

(5) Apply results of economic research and operations analysis to evaluate transportation issues and to recommend revisions of current procedures.